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Enclosed are:

- [X] An Application Data Sheet.
- [X] Six (6) sheets of formal drawings, Figures 1-7 (b).
- [X] An Assignment of the invention to <u>MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC</u> INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD.
- [X] Certified copy of <u>Japanese</u> application No. 2002-216296 filed July 25, 2002.
- [X] A Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- [X] This application is not entitled to small entity status;
- [X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
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